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CHINA.

Report from Hongkong.

Hongkong, China, February 4, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the report of inspection work at this station for the week ended February 2, 1901: Five hundred and seventy-two persons were bathed during the week, and 736 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. All shipping orders containing food products were viséed, indorsing on the order the origin of goods when possible, and rejecting prohibited articles when the origin was unknown. A visit was made during the week to a number of Chinese firms that ship Chinese medicines, for the purpose of ascertaining the character of these goods and the method of preparation; and, although they are mostly herbs, they are thoroughly cleaned and dried, and in little if any danger of conveying infection. There were no communicable diseases reported during the week.

Respectfully,

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The Surgeon-General,

U. S. Marine Hospital Service.

[Inclosure.] Report of vessels inspected at Hongkong, China, week ended February 2, 1901.

Date.	Name of vessel.	Destination.	Crew.	Passengers.		Re-
				Cabin.	Steer- age.	jected.
Jan. 28 Jan. 29 Do Do Jo Jan. 30 Jan. 31 Feb. 1 Do Feb. 2	Br. str. Coptie (a)	Manila, via Amoy	9 130	10 2 0 19 0 0 61 1 0 2	4 198 0 101 0 0 24 15 0	0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0

a Asiatic crew and steerage passengers bathed and effects disinfected by steam. b Asiatic crew bathed and effects disinfected by steam. c Rock ballast.

CUBA.

Reports from Cienfuegos, Casilda, and Santa Cruz del Sur.

CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, March 11, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report of the district

under my command for the week ended March 9, 1901:

Seventeen deaths occurred in this city, the following report showing the causes of deaths-rachitis, 2; uramia, 1; embolism, 1; pernicious fever, 1; anæmia, cerebral, 1; cirrhosis of the liver, 1; insufficiency, aortic, 1; insufficiency, mitral, 1; anæmia, 1; hæmoptysis, 1; yellow fever, 1; tetanus, infantile, 1; tuberculosis, 1; bronco-pneumonia, 1; cachexia, 1; paludic fever, 1. Eight of these deaths occurred in the civil hospital. Death rate, 22.16.

The case of yellow fever mentioned in my last report died at the lazaretto the same day. This case is interesting from the fact that there is